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SUBJECT: CHILE DEBT RESCHEDULING

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1. MUELLER-THUNS (DEPT ASSTSEC ECONOMICS MINISTRY)

HAS JUST INFORMED US WITH REGRET THAT FRANCE HAS

DECIDED TO PROPOSE TO PARIS CLUB MEMBERS AN

INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT OF MARCH 24-25 MEETING.

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DECISION WAS BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF FRENCH

FINANCE MINISTRY AFTER BELGIUM AND DENMARK NOTIFIED
FRENCH THAT THEY WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN MARCH
MEETING.

2. SPD CAUCUS MET MORNING MARCH 18 AND AGREED TO
FRG PARTICIPATION, SO FRENCH ACTION WAS PARTICULARLY
GALLING TO MUELLER-THUNS. WHILE NO DECISION HAS YET
BEEN TAKEN ON HOW TO RESPOND TO FRENCH PROPOSAL
(ECONMIN FRIDERICH'S IS IN POLAND AND WILL NOT
RETURN UNTIL LATE EVENING), MUELLER-THUNS
DOES NOT SEE ANY POSSIBILITY OF FRG INSISTING THAT
MEETING TAKE PLACE AS SCHEDULED.

3. MUELLER-THUNS, WHO IS MEETING RAUL SAEZ THIS
EVENING, IS SEARCHING FOR WAYS TO SALVAGE AS MUCH
AS POSSIBLE FROM SITUATION. HE PARTICULARLY WANTS
TO ESTABLISH PRESUMPTION THAT MEETING WOULD
BE RESCHEDULED DURING SUMMER OR FALL. HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMISSION WILL HAVE COMPLETED VISIT TO CHILE
BY THEN, AND ITS REPORT MAY EASE POLITICAL PROBLEMS
FOR OTHER CREDITORS. HOWEVER, MUELLER-THUNS IS
VERY MUCH AWARE OF NEED TO AVOID LINK BETWEEN
PARIS CLUB MEETING AND POLITICAL RELATIONS WITH
CHILE.
HILLENBRAND

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